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BEGINNING in 1874 as a meeting of the members of a few state boards, under the wing of the Social Science Association, the Conference soon grew strong enough to walk alone. It now has more than 2,500 members, and from 1,200 to 1,500 people attend each of its annual meetings.

ITS PURPOSE has remained unchanged. It still exists to diffuse trustworthy information and stimulate right sentiment on the many difficult problems of charity and correction.

ITS SCOPE may seem to have widened greatly in recent years. This is partly because it has entered new fields, but chiefly because those it first possessed have widened. It has always looked forward rather than back and many of the newer social efforts of our day have found their early adherents and their most useful publicity at the Conference meetings.

ITS USEFULNESS to those who attend its sessions, or read its annual volume of achievement, is that of an occasional School of Philanthropy and Reform; to the community in which its meetings are held it gives a new and wider conception of the purpose and methods of philanthropy. All its meetings are open to the public and their success is measured to some extent by the degree to which the public becomes interested in them. No city has ever enjoyed one of these splendid weeks of enlightenment and enthusiasm without being greatly benefited by it.

ITS MEMBERSHIP is the most inclusive possible, with no conditions but expressed interest and the payment of a small subscription.

ITS PLATFORM and floor are free. No distinction, not even between member and non-member can be seen at its meetings. Every shade of thought on each topic considered is not only allowed but is expressly desired. The function of the Conference being only to convince of the truth, every opinion should have a hearing. If true it will prevail, if erroneous it will be soon forgotten.

THE PROGRAM, which usually occupies seven days, is divided between eight or ten committees, each made up partly of members and partly of non-members whom the Conference desires to attract to itself. The titles of the standing committees vary as emphasis is laid on different phases of similar work.

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"Social Advance can best be furthered when the efforts of many social workers are united so as to bring the forces of all to bear on one or two important subjects."

The 37th Conference

will convene in St. Louis, Mo., on Thursday, May 19th, 1910, and adjourn on Thursday, May 26th.

The Program is rapidly approaching completion and will be published in a Bulletin in a few weeks. In the meanwhile the following account of the general plan will be interesting:

"To send people home with definite ideas which can be applied to the day's work."

THE PROGRAM

Present social advance is guided by two principles, which, although they seem to show opposing tendencies, are not contradictory, but complementary. The first is that advance must be general, that the work of each field must be promoted with regard to its inter-relation with that of all other fields. The second is that advance can best be furthered when the efforts of many social workers are united, for the time being, so bringing the forces of all to bear on one or two important subjects.

These principles are finely illustrated in the Program of the National Conference of 1910. The committees, perhaps more than ever before, are regarding their special work as related to that of all the others; and there is a strong tendency to united effort in hopeful directions.

BY COMMITTEES.

FAMILIES AND NEIGHBORHOODS.

CHAIRMAN, MISS MARY E. RICHMOND, DIRECTOR CHARITY ORGANIZATION EXTENSION DEPARTMENT, NEW YORK CITY.

The Chairman sounds the key note of the committee's work in the words *"The best place to strengthen our work is at the place where it crosses other work."* The principal topic will be

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"The only way to educate an entire community is to keep eternally at it."

"The Inter-relation of Social Movements." This will be the theme of the chief address at the evening session, by one of the best-known social leaders. It will be followed by several brief contributions from national leaders, on the point of contact between the agencies dealing with families and neighborhoods, and the tuberculosis movements, the child labor movement, the working girls' club movement, the Y. M. C. A. and the Y. W. C. A. The design is to promote the growth of a consistent social fabric for all our reforms.

The section meetings of this committee will treat of Social Surveying; found essential as a preliminary to new social efforts:—The Relation of Commercial Bodies to Charitable and Social Standards; resulting in charities endorsement committees etc.:—Widows with Children; the most insistent and persistent of relief questions, involving as it does, such other questions as public versus private relief, adequacy of relief, child labor, sweated industries, industrial accidents, etc.:—The Church and Social Service; with references to social education of and through the Church, the supply of social workers, etc.:—The Use the Neighborhood makes of its Leisure; including the question of leisure itself.

Further detail will be announced in the next BULLETIN, but the above gives assurance of a remarkably interesting and useful program and one that will, in the words of the chairman, quoted as the motto of the program, "*Send people home with definite ideas which can be applied to the day's work.*"

THE SCHOOL AND THE COMMUNITY.

CHAIRMAN, PROF. THOMAS J. RILEY, DIRECTOR ST. LOUIS SCHOOL OF SOCIAL ECONOMY.

Next in social importance to the relations of the Family are those of the School. The general scope of the Committee's program is expressed thus: Some demands made upon Education and the Public School from the Field of Social Work and the Response; Considered from the standpoint of Fact, the principles and practice of Education and the problems of administration.

The Committee will present a number of papers of an intensely practical character on such topics as "Industrial Efficiency"; dealing with laggards and leavers, vocational training, trade instruction, etc.:—"The School and the Wage Earning Girl"; domestic science, professional training, changing duties of house-wives and especially the increasing employment of girls and women:—"The School and Public Health and Morals"; school hygiene, medical inspection, nursing and moral prophylaxis.

laxis:—"The School and Play"; claiming the need of play places in connection with school work, and other timely topics.

There will also be philosophical and practical discussions on the Social Economy of Education; Function and Organic Relations of Public Schools; Adjustment to Changing Conditions, etc. and the response that the school is making to community demands. These latter topics will be presented by people of national and international reputation.

The report of the committee will attempt to be a resume of the arguments and a program for ten years' progress. The speakers, many of whom have already promised their co-operation, will be announced in the detailed program in the later BULLETIN.

There will be one or more joint meetings of this section with others and throughout the whole program, as stated above, the effort to relate one field of work with others will be prominent.

"It is in the power of man to cause all parasitic (germ) diseases to disappear from the world."—Pasteur.

HEALTH AND SANITATION.

CHAIRMAN, DR. CHARLES P. EMERSON, SUPERINTENDENT CLIFTON SPRINGS SANITARIUM, CLIFTON SPRINGS, N. Y.

This committee will deal with several new and vital topics. The program is still in a formative condition and details can not be announced at present. Health and sanitation will be considered in their relation to social conditions and the bearing of their particular problems on charity and correction will be the underlying motive.

Among the topics mentioned, most of them decided upon, are "The Hook-Worm Disease of the South", "Pellagra"; especially in the Middle-West, "Medical Inspection of School Children" and others. One meeting will be devoted to the social work of hospitals, a subject which is not new to the Conference, but which has received only a small part of the attention it deserves.

An interesting and novel feature, following the evening meeting will be an open air stereopticon lecture on tuberculosis. This will be conducted by the director of the St. Louis Municipal Commission on Tuberculosis which has held open air meetings for three years and last summer gave sixty lectures with an attendance of about 200,000 people.

Other of the difficult problems of care for consumptives will be discussed, especially from the point of view of the social and relief work made necessary, rather than from the distinctly medical side.

"Tuberculosis can be controlled by providing more facilities for the treatment of cases; but it can never be eradicated until sweatshops are abolished and factories are decently ventilated; until the hours of labor are not beyond human endurance and pay is sufficient to sustain the life and health of the bread-winner and his family; and until housing conditions are made light, airy and sanitary."

STATE SUPERVISION AND ADMINISTRATION.

CHAIRMAN, G. S. ROBINSON, MEMBER STATE BOARD OF CONTROL OF IOWA.

This year the whole range of the state's institutional activities, as well as the supervision by state boards etc. is given in charge of this committee. Undoubtedly the greatest emphasis will be laid on the matter of administration as it is affected by partisan politics. While this subject has been frequently exploited, it is still of dominant interest. As regards the insane, the topics to be considered are "After Care", "Psychopathic Hospitals", "Legal Problems Involved in Commitment" and a paper is expected by a distinguished alienist who is now traveling in the East on "The Care of the Insane in China and Japan".

Institution organization and administration will be discussed by a superintendent of a hospital for insane working under a board which has carried civil service reform into complete effect.

The public care of epileptics will be presented by the superintendent of the largest institution for epileptics in this country and discussed by other very able men. The difficult and yet essential "State Care of High-grade Imbecile Girls" will be presented and the state supervision, so often neglected, of county and municipal charitable and correctional institutions will be discussed by one who is engaged in that work.

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OCCUPATIONAL STANDARDS.

CHAIRMAN, PAUL U. KELLOGG, MANAGING EDITOR THE SURVEY, NEW YORK CITY.

The degree to which the problems of charity and correction are complicated with "The Social Question" is well shown in the work of this committee. The chairman has succeeded in arranging a series of meetings which although they would not be foreign to a meeting of the Social Science Association, will be recognized by every one as being eminently proper to the National Conference.

"The way in which Industrial accidents drive children into Orphanages and Juvenile Reformatories."

The chairman offers the following theorem as a statement of the scope of his work:

a. Both charity and correction include in their preventive aspects consideration of certain minimum requirements of well-being.

b. It is surprising how many things have been done because those people who have had to care for the wounded in our industrial society, have insisted on prevention.

c. The Conference in considering occupational standards is distinctly within its province as expressed in "a" above.

d. The Conference offers the best common platform for the various activities which are concerned with occupational standards, e. g. the child labor committees, the consumers' leagues, the Civic Federation, the Association for Labor Legislation, the anti-tuberculosis committees, etc.

The program will relate occupational standards to hours and health, considering the "Toxin of Fatigue"; the medical aspects of the long hour and nervous overstrain;—"Industrial Hygiene"; how bad sanitary conditions of shops and factories destroy health and make poverty inevitable;—"Compensation for Death and Injury" relief problems from the viewpoint of a relief society as to what should be considered adequate relief, the family and the home as affected by industrial casualties, the way in which industrial accidents drive children into orphanages and juvenile reformatories;—"Wage Standards"; how they relate to cost of living and how seasonal work and wage standards relate to living conditions in industrial communities;—"Industry and Social Bookkeeping", the relations of industry to social conditions, especially in the large cities.

At the general session the main topic will be "Consideration of Changes and Adjustments which will further the practical adoption of advancing occupational standards" and "The Relation of the problem of Occupational Standards to the Widest Social Movements", even the one which has captured the Nation—the conservation movement.

The Committee hopes to present a ten years' program of effort. There will be one or more joint meetings of this section with others.

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LAW BREAKERS.

CHAIRMAN, DR. KATHARINE BEMENT DAVIS, SUPERINTENDENT N. Y. STATE REFORMATORY FOR WOMEN, BEDFORD, N. Y.

The most urgent public question of the moment which a committee on law breakers can consider is probably adult probation and that will be presented and discussed by a chief justice of a municipal court, the secretary of a probation association and others. Equally important, if not so much in the public eye is the legal treatment of public intoxication to which a section will be devoted. Another section meeting will be occupied by a symposium on the Woman Delinquent and educational methods as a cause of delinquency and the placing out and after care of delinquent girls will be presented.

Because its interest is perennial and because it is specially interesting to the people of Missouri, the reformatory system as exhibited at Elmira, Concord, Mansfield, etc., will be given prominence. Although practical reformatory work will be made most prominent, science and philosophy will not be forgotten. Among the papers announced is one on "The Duty of the Law Maker to the Law Breaker" and another on "A Scientific Basis for the Treatment of Problems of Criminology and Penology."

"The Problems of the Child are inevitably related with every other social problem."

CHILDREN.

CHAIRMAN, GEORGE S. ADDAMS, JUDGE OF THE JUVENILE COURT, CLEVELAND, OHIO.

The problems of the child are inevitably related and complicated with every other social problem and it is difficult in the Conference program to avoid duplication, when children are considered. For this reason there will be one or more joint section meetings in which the children's committee will collaborate with others.

At the general session of this committee the subjects to be considered are pre-eminently preventive. They include the proposed "Federal Children's Bureau", as one of the most important. The recent notable advance which has brought the Children's Aid Societies into the forefront of preventive effort will be the theme of one of the addresses. This will emphasize what has often been said, i. e., that the meaning of "preventive work for children" has radically changed in the

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past quarter century. The temptations and pitfalls that assail and await children in the large cities are increasingly compelling attention and the subject will be presented by a social worker from one of the larger cities.

The pathetic story of the unmarried mother and her child and the reasonable claim that it makes upon our sympathy and energy and the way this claim is being met will be presented by an eloquent speaker of national reputation.

Juvenile courts continue to need discussion and the degree to which their original plans have been modified and still need modification will be the subject of one section meeting. Child placing has been usually discussed from the standpoint of the society employing expert paid agents. This year the facts concerning a society which is wholly officered by volunteers and which claims to be doing a large amount of good work will be set forth. This paper will undoubtedly provoke animated and interesting discussion.

A joint section meeting with the committee on Families and Neighborhoods will consider the subject of widows with children. Other subjects to be treated, either by this committee alone or in joint section meetings are "Recreation for City Children", "Infant Mortality in Children's Institutions", "Medical Inspection of School Children" and others.

There will be a time and place set apart for a meeting of women engaged in corrective work for girls. Other women of the Conference interested in the work will be welcomed.

"The most insistent and most persistent relief problem, that of the widow with her children."

PUBLICITY.

CHAIRMAN, H. WIRT STEELE, EXECUTIVE SECRETARY SOCIETY FOR PREVENTION OF TUBERCULOSIS, BALTIMORE, MD.

The Committee will endeavor to round up the interesting discussions of the last two or three years. The particulars of the program will be given in the next BULLETIN.

"The National Census makes Statistics a particularly interesting and timely subject this year."

STATISTICS.

CHAIRMAN, JOHN KOREN, EXPERT SPECIAL AGENT U. S. BUREAU OF THE CENSUS, BOSTON, MASS.

This committee will have one section meeting of its own and probably a joint meeting with one of the other sections. The National Census of this year makes statistics a particularly

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interesting and timely subject and there is no doubt that the chairman will do himself full justice in the program.

"Charity and correction both include in their preventive aspects, consideration of certain minimum requirements of wellbeing."

REMEDIAL LOANS.

CHAIRMAN, W. N. FINLEY, MANAGER CHATTEL LOAN ASSOCIATION OF BALTIMORE, MD.

The National Federation of Remedial Loan Companies will meet in St. Louis either one or two days in advance of the assembling of the Conference or during the afternoons of the Conference week. One section of the Conference itself will be devoted to this subject and the program will be announced in the next BULLETIN.

MEETING PLACES

The Local Committee has secured, besides the large auditorium for the opening meeting and the Sunday afternoon sermon, a large church for the general evening sessions and six halls for the morning section meetings. An interesting light on the growth of the National Conference in twenty-six years, is thrown by the fact that, with one exception, the capacity of each of the six halls is greater than was the capacity of the one hall in which the Eleventh Conference held its meetings in St. Louis, in 1884.

The halls are conveniently situated near each other and close to street car lines. These will be assigned to Committees for three, four or six days, according to their needs. While it is not possible to give each committee a separate room for the whole week, yet in no case will the time of occupancy be limited in such a way as to permit of conflict between committees.

THE HALLS SECURED

Odeon:

Auditorium for Thursday night and Sunday afternoon.

Recital hall for registration—entire week.

Entertainment hall for morning sessions—entire week.

Central High School:

Auditorium for Friday, Saturday, Wednesday and Thursday mornings.

Auditorium evening sessions—entire week.

Gymnasium for exhibits—entire week.

Y. M. C. A.:

Auditorium, morning sessions—entire week.

Bible hall for morning sessions—entire week.

Reading rooms for Field Workers' display—entire week.

Third Baptist Church:

Auditorium for Friday, Saturday, Monday and Tuesday nights.

Second Baptist Church:

Auditorium for Sunday night.

First Congregational Church:

Auditorium for morning sessions—entire week.

Hibernian hall for morning sessions—entire week.

Bible hall: Auditorium for morning session—entire week.

AFFILIATED ASSOCIATIONS

The advantage of meeting at or about the time of the Conference is recognized by some other associations and the Conference itself is conscious of its advantage in this connection.

The National Conference on the Education of Dependent, Backward, Truant and Delinquent Children: The National Federation of Remedial Loan Associations: The National Probation Officers' Association: and the National Conference of Jewish Charities in the United States, will each meet in connection with The National Conference of Charities and Correction.

The following announcements are authorized: See the next NATIONAL BULLETIN for places and hours of meetings. All meetings announced in this Bulletin are open to the public.

NATIONAL CONFERENCE ON THE EDUCATION OF DEPENDENT, BACKWARD, TRUANT AND DELINQUENT CHILDREN.

OUTLINE OF PROGRAM.

To be held in St. Louis, Missouri, May 16, 17, 18, 1910.

(Speakers marked ? are not yet pledged.)

Parental Schools

W. B. Baker, Supt. Parental Schools,
Spokane, Wash.

The Relative Importance of Mental
and Moral Training

Social Hygiene

The Relation of the Public School to
the Special School

Prof. T. H. MacQueary, Dept. of
History, Soldan High School, St.
Louis, Missouri.

Effect of Play on Girls

Miss Beulah Kennard, Pres. Pitts-
burg Playground Association.

Comparative Value of Agricultural and
Other Vocational Training.

Rev. Brother Barnabas, ? Lincoln-
dale, N. Y.

Probation (The specific title of these papers has not been determined).

Judge H. H. Baker, Boston Juvenile Court.

Willis Brown, Ex-Judge Juvenile Court, Salt Lake City; Pres. National Boy City Association, Detroit.

Judge Wm. H. DeLacy, Washington, D. C., Juvenile Court.

Discussion led by Homer Folks, Secretary New York State Charities Aid Association, New York.

The Dependent Child

Charles Loring Brace, New York City, Sec'y Children's Aid Society.

The Dependent Boy versus the Delinquent State, His Wrongs and Their Remedies.

Charles E. Faulkner, Supt. Washburn Memorial Orphan Asylum, Minneapolis, Minn.

The Dependent Child in Ohio

Seymour J. Hathaway, Marietta, Ohio.

Discussion of Mr. Faulkner's Paper

John B. Montgomery, Supt. State Public Schools, Coldwater, Mich.

The Juvenile Court

Judge Ben B. Lindsey, Denver Juvenile Court.

Industrial Training in State Schools

Supt. E. E. Gardiner, Sockanosset School for Boys, Howard, R. I.;

The Attitude of Union Labor Toward Vocational Training Schools

Sam DeNedry, Editor The Trades Unionist; Secretary Central Labor Union, Washington, D. C.

Other subjects and speakers to be announced later.

All meetings are open to the public and every one interested is invited to be present and participate in the discussions.

THE NATIONAL PROBATION OFFICERS' ASSOCIATION.

Chairman—Homer Folks, New York.

Vice-Chairman—Hon. Wm. H. DeLacy, Washington, D. C.

Secretary-Treasurer—Roger N. Baldwin, St. Louis, Mo.

The Association will hold three afternoon meetings during the session of the National Conference of Charities and Correction at St. Louis. The subjects for discussion are "Probation from the Judge's View-point," "Juvenile Probation," and "Probation of Adults". These will be introduced by speakers of experience in the work.

Members of the National Conference and the general public are invited to attend and participate in the discussions.

THE NATIONAL CONFERENCE OF JEWISH CHARITIES IN THE UNITED STATES.

The Sixth Biennial Session of the National Conference of Jewish Charities in the United States will be held in St. Louis, beginning with an evening session on May 17 and continuing through May 18 and 19, with three sessions daily. The last day will be known as Workers' Day. The program is now in course of preparation. Professor J. H. Hollander of Baltimore is President of the Conference, and Mr. Louis H. Levin of the same city is Secretary.

THE NATIONAL FEDERATION OF REMEDIAL LOAN ASSOCIATIONS.

President—W. N. Finley, Manager Chattel Loan Association of Baltimore.

Secretary—Hugh Cavanaugh, Cincinnati.

The Federation will meet in St. Louis during the session of the National Conference. Full program of the meeting will be announced in the next issue of THE NATIONAL BULLETIN.

HOTEL ARRANGEMENTS.

Satisfactory arrangements have been made with the various hotels of the city to accommodate the large number of delegates expected, at prices which are reasonable when the character of the accommodations is taken into consideration. The following hotels have given their written guarantee on rates and will register delegates upon application direct to the hotel.

THE JEFFERSON HOTEL, Twelfth and Locust Streets.—"Headquarters Hotel."

On arrival take the "Park" or "Compton car" at the east end of the Union Station to Twelfth Street—one block south.

Single rooms, without bath, \$1.50 per day; with bath, \$2.50.

Double rooms, without bath, \$2.00 per day; with bath, \$3.00 to \$7.00.

Can accommodate from three to five hundred.

Two lines of cars direct to the halls where the meetings are to be held.

THE PLANTERS HOTEL, Fourth and Chestnut Streets.

On arrival take "Laclede" or "Market" car in front of Union Station, going east to Fourth Street—one block north.

Single rooms, without bath, \$1.50 per day; with bath, \$2.50.

Double rooms, without bath, \$2.00 per day; with bath, \$3.00 to \$7.00.

Can accommodate from three to five hundred.

Take any car in front of hotel and transfer to "Page car" on Washington Avenue direct to the halls where the meetings are to be held.

THE SOUTHERN HOTEL, "The Hotel Comfortable." Broadway and Walnut streets.

A splendidly equipped hotel.

Take any car passing in front of Union Station east to Broadway—two blocks south.

Single rooms, without bath, \$1.50 per day; with bath, \$2.50.

Double rooms, without bath, \$2.00 per day; with bath, \$3.00 to \$7.00.

Can accommodate from three to five hundred.

Take any car passing in front of the Southern, transfer to "Page car" on Washington Avenue direct to the halls where the meetings are to be held.

THE BUCKINGHAM HOTEL, Kingshighway and West Pine.

A splendid new hotel facing Forest Park, and away from the dust, smoke and noise of the city.

Take the "Laclede car" going west in front of Union Station to Kingshighway—one block north.

Single rooms, without bath, \$1.50 per day; with bath, \$2.00.

Double rooms, without bath, \$2.50 per day; with bath, \$3.00.

Can accommodate two hundred.

Take the "Olive" or the "Laclede" street cars, transfer on Grand Avenue direct to the halls where the meetings are to be held.

MARQUETTE HOTEL, Eighteenth and Washington.

This splendid hotel is within walking distance of Union Station on direct line of cars to the halls where the meetings are to be held.

Single rooms, without bath, \$1.00 to \$1.50 per day; with bath, \$2.00.

Double rooms, without bath, \$1.25 to \$1.50 per person; with bath, \$3.00 to \$4.00.

Can accommodate three hundred.

WEST END HOTEL, Vandeventer and Morgan Streets.

Take any car going west in front of Union Station to Vandeventer and transfer direct to the hotel. Only two blocks from the places of meeting where the Convention will be held. This hotel is recommended to those who wish to be near the Convention headquarters.

Single rooms, without bath, \$1.00 per day; with bath, \$2.00.

Double rooms, without bath, \$1.50 per day; with bath, \$4.00.

Suites, two rooms for two or four persons, with bath, \$4.00 per day.

Can accommodate fifty to seventy-five people.

THE AMERICAN HOTEL, Seventh and Market Streets.

This is a new hotel with bath in every room.

Take Market car in front of Union Station direct to the hotel.

Single rooms, \$1.50 per day.

Double rooms, \$2.50 per day and up.

Can accommodate two hundred.

Take any car on Market Street west to Grand Avenue and transfer to the halls where the meetings are to be held.

MARYLAND HOTEL, Ninth and Pine Streets. (A new hotel.)

Take car in front of Union Station east to Ninth Street—two blocks north.

Single rooms, without bath, \$1.00 per day; with bath, \$1.50.

Double rooms, without bath, \$2.00 per day; with bath, \$2.00 to \$3.50.

Rooms with two beds (three or four persons), \$4.00 per day.

Can accommodate one-hundred and fifty.

Take "Olive Street car" and transfer to "Grand Avenue car" direct to the halls where the meetings are to be held.

All of the above hotels have been approved by the Local Committee and are first class in every particular. They all have cafes with reasonable prices, and in the vicinity of each of these hotels are numerous restaurants and lunchrooms.

There are a number of boarding houses in the vicinity of the places of meeting which can be secured at the rate of from 75 cents to \$1.50 per day for room only. These assignments can only be made on the arrival of the delegates.

St. Louis is going to be the great convention city of the year. There are meetings almost every week. Therefore it is desirable for people who are particular about their hotels that they should not lose any time in securing accommodations.

The information about hotels given above is more explicit than usual and will not be repeated. The next BULLETIN will contain simply a list. In engaging a room, please write direct to the hotel and request an answer. If, at the same time, members will drop a postal card to the General Secretary, mentioning the name of the hotel, he will do his best to secure that the accommodations shall be reserved.

THE EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE.

Since the adjournment in Buffalo the Committee has held two meetings, the first in Chicago, November 12th, when the plan for the session was provisionally adopted and the report of the Local Committee in St. Louis was presented and approved. Tentative programs were read from several committees and requests from certain national societies to hold meetings in connection with the Conference were granted.

The General Secretary was made a delegate to the Quinquennial Congress on Public Relief and Private Philanthropy which is to meet in Copenhagen, Denmark, August 30th, 1910.

A very good report was shown of the work of the Press Committee during the year and Mr. H. Wirt Steele was re-engaged as Publicity Agent for the current Conference year. At the close of the meeting the Executive Committee were entertained at dinner in the dining room of Hull House.

The second meeting was held in St. Louis on January 25th. In the absence of the President, owing to illness, and of the three vice-presidents, from pressure of business, Mr. Butler was made chairman.

Communications received and action had as follows: From Mr. Brackett, suggesting that general sessions be opened with prayer—adopted. From Dr. Fulton, Secretary General of the International Congress on Hygiene and Demography, asking that a representative be appointed on the organization committee of that Congress. Mr. J. M. [Glenn was appointed. From Mr. H. H. Hart, notifying the Conference of a proposed "Annual" to contain the annals of several national associations, to be published by the Appletons and at their risk. Mr. Hart was requested to attend a meeting called for the purpose and to represent the National Conference without committing it to any responsibility, financial or otherwise. From Frederick Douglass

Center, Chicago, asking that some well equipped man or woman of the Negro race be given a place on the program. Answered that the Committee would be pleased to give a place on the program to every well equipped person, regardless of color, who has some valuable contribution to make, but that at the present time the program is practically completed and it is doubtful whether the request can be granted, but the matter will be referred to one of the standing committees, probably that on Law Breakers. From the Woman's National Sabbath Alliance, asking that the question of Sabbath observance as related to Law and Order be a topic of the Conference. Answered expressing sympathy and regrets that the program is practically complete and that it is already overcrowded. From Miss Dye, of Clermont, Ind., asking that a time and place be provided for a special meeting of women connected with girls' schools. Approved and ordered. From the Secretary of the Missouri State Board of Charities, urging the consideration of Reformatories. Referred to the Committee on Law Breakers. From several sources, requesting that Civil Service reform be given prominence. Referred to the Committee on State Supervision and Administration.

The general schedule of the program, showing seven evening general sessions, one morning general session devoted to verbal reports from states and business, and twenty-nine section meetings, was approved. A schedule of entertainments to be provided by the Local Committee, including one noon-day lunch, a river excursion, an auto ride and a woman's reception, was approved, also arrangements for the opening session, to include addresses of welcome on behalf of the city and state, one response and the President's address. The program by committees was considered and certain changes requested. Various matters regarding the local arrangements were discussed with the representatives of the Local Committee present.

At the close of the meeting a banquet was given at the Jefferson Hotel; about two hundred of the leading charity workers of the city participated. Mr. Eaton, Chairman of the Local Committee, presided. Speeches were made on behalf of the Executive Committee by Father Gavisk and Messrs. Butler and Johnson and on behalf of the city by Rabbi Harrison.

EXECUTIVE OFFICERS OF THE CONFERENCE.

President	Third Vice-President
Miss JANE ADDAMS.	Hon. WILLIAM H. DELACY.
First Vice-President	Treasurer
Mr. F. H. NIBECKER.	Mr. EDWARD BOYLE.
Second, Vice-President	General Secretary
Mr. ANSLEY WILCOX.	Mr. ALEXANDER JOHNSON.

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